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- 1. APPRECIATE KATZ' SUGGESTION THAT ADDITIONAL DOLS 150 CAN BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR SWITZERLAND PORTION REF MISSION. PRESENT USDOC ALLOCATION OF DOLS 1450 INADEQUATE COVER COSTS OF MISSION HERE AS POINTED OUT BERN 3365 (NOTAL).
- 2. IN ADDITION LOCAL TRAVEL EXPENSES CITED THAT MESSAGE, AN ADDITIONAL EXPENSE IS ANTICIPATED IN PROVIDING ROUND-TRIP RAIL PASSAGE FOR TWO, POSSIBLY THREE, OFFICIALS OF FEDERAL GOVERNMENT'S ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION OFFICER IN BERN TO BRIEF MISSION IN ZURICH OCTOBER 9. THESE OFFICIALS HAPPY ASSIST WITH MISSION BUT THEY SHOULD NOT HAVE TO COVER THEIR OWN TRAVEL. EXPECT THIS COST TO APPROXIMATE DOLS 50.
- 3. ALSO EXPECT PRINTING COST TO BE SOME DOLS 15 GREATER THAN ORIGINAL ESTIMATE DUE NECESSITY PRINT LETTER OF INVITATION TWO LANGUAGES LIEU GERMAN ONLY. UNCLASSIFIED

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MAILING AND TELEPHONE CHARGES WILL PROBABLY EXCEED

ESTIMATES MARGINALLY.

4. THIS EXPECTED TO BE A LEAN FISCAL YEAR FOR THE POST, AND WE WILL HAVE CONSIDERABLE DIFFICULTY ABSORBING LOCAL TRAVEL COSTS OUR OWN PERSONNEL, WHICH MAY RUN AS HIGH AS DOLS 350 DEPENDING AMOUNT OF INTERPRETING REQUIRED. WITH TWO OTHER MISSIONS SCHEDULED THIS FISCAL YEAR, WE ARE PARTICULARLY ANXIOUS TO KEEP TO ABSOLUTE MINIMUM COSTS WE ABSORB FOR THIS MISSION IN ORDER TO RETAIN SOME FLEXIBILITY ASSIST WITH EXPENSES OTHER TWO MISSIONS. WOULD BE VERY GRATEFUL IF OUR ALLOCATION COULD BE RAISED FROM 1450 TO 1600 DOLS PER KATZ RECOMMENDATION.

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